

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claims 10 and 35 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 1, 7, 8, 12, 13 and 36-38 to read as follows.

1. (Currently amended) An ink jet recording apparatus to be shipped in which a recording head filled with transporting ink different from recording ink is mounted on a carriage, said apparatus comprising:

recovery means for effecting a recovery operation with respect to said recording head; and

control means for controlling said recovery means such that an on-arrival recovery mode executed first by said recovery means after arrival of said recording apparatus differs from a normal recovery mode executed by said recovery means after a first usage of said recording apparatus,

wherein viscosity of the transporting ink is greater than that of the recording ink.

2. (Previously presented) An ink jet recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recovery means comprises suction means for effecting suction from said recording head, and suction pressure in ink suction from said recording head by said

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